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CAMPAIGN SEEK \$120 MILLION

UJA OPENS DRIVE SUNDAY

Bomb Threat a Dud as Rally Nets \$150,000 for Israel Bonds Drive

BY CHARLES ROTH

New York Bureau Chief

NEW YORK (JP)—A Mizrahi sponsored Israel Bond concert at Carnegie Hall sold \$150,000 in bonds despite a bomb scare which drew scores of police and firemen.

Shortly before the concert, Carnegie Hall manager John J. Totten received an anonymous phone call from a person with a Yiddish accent. The caller warned Totten to clear the hall because a bomb had been planted.

During a two-hour search by Carnegie Hall personnel, police, and firemen during the concert no bomb could be discovered. Police declared there was no cause for alarm.

UNWARE OF SCARE

The audience and performers were not aware of the bomb scare or the search until after the performance. Police cars, fire-fighting apparatus, and ambulances stood by while 200 Chazanim performed before an audience of 2500.

Before and during the early part of the concert about 25 black garbed, bearded, Chassidic rabbis and students distributed leaflets outside the hall. The leaflets charged that the Jewish government (Israeli) forces girls to forced labor service and that "innocent girls have been thrown into jail."

'APPEAL TO UJA'

The leaflet signed by the National Committee for Religious Freedom in Israel, asked for "appeal to United Jewish Appeal that there be religious freedom in Israel."

Rabbi Miklos Herszkowitz, a teacher in a Brooklyn yeshiva, leader of the group distributing the leaflets, charged that the Yiddish press had suppressed such news as "600 girls (were) removed from their beds in Ksar Atta, Israel, on a Friday night and forcibly inducted into service."

Basketball Coach Blames Jews As Responsible for Cage Fixings

DENVER (JP)—Charges of anti-Semitism were levelled here at basketball coach Phog Allen of Kansas university after a speech before the Boulder, Colo., Lions club in which he reportedly blamed Jews for the basketball fixing scandals at Madison Square Garden.

According to the Boulder Camera, Allen explained that "the Jews worship a different God from the rest of us."

Girl to Retain Legacy Even if Weds Non-Jew

NEW YORK (JP)—A New York court has ruled that a Park Avenue Jewish heiress may marry outside the Jewish faith without losing a share in her millionaire great-grandfather's estate.

The decision, by a 3-2 vote of the appellate division, reversed a lower court ruling that Miss Jean L. Tanburn must lose a \$10,000 cash inheritance, plus \$6,500 annually if she married non-Jewish Donelson Morrison Kelley Jr.

Wally Lovelace, Boulder Camera columnist, slashed at Allen's speech as anti-Semitic, and charged the coach was looking for a scapegoat. Kansas lost to Colorado university in an important basketball game recently.

According to local Anti-Defamation League officials, demands had been received that the anti-bigotry group ask Kansas university officials and Kansas state authorities why tax funds were being expended to pay the salary of a "bigoted college teacher."

Tweedledee and Tweedledum



(The Israeli consulate previously has termed these charges as "fabricated nonsense" and completely untrue. The consulate said the National Service Law form Women has not yet been implemented.)

Brotherhood Up, Says Church Unit

NEW YORK (WNS) — The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States disclosed in a report issued last week improvement in racial relations in the United States and a marked decrease in discrimination.

Belgian Court Decides Adopted Boy is Jewish

BRUSSELS — The High Court here has decided that Antoine Benoit, 13, is Antwerp-born Henry Elias, the Jewish boy who was placed in a Franciscan nunnery in Malines in 1943 by members of the Resistance movement after his parents had been deported by the Germans (JP, Jan. 22, '54).

The court thus upheld an earlier ruling by the Malines court in response to the claim by the boy's uncle who had flown here from America.

The present foster mother had claimed the child was not Henry Elias but Antoine Benoit, whom she had legally adopted.

Although the boy's identity has finally been established, his present whereabouts are not known.

3-Day Inaugural Meeting Kicks-off 1954 Pledging

MIAMI BEACH (JP)—The United Jewish Appeal's 1954 drive for close to \$120 million will open this Sunday following a three-day-weekend inaugural conference.

The high point of the conference will come Sunday as more than 600 of the country's leading UJA supporters and contributors set the 1954 giving standard following addresses by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, UJA General Chairman Edward M.M. Warburg, Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, UJA executive vice-chairman, and Sam Levenson, noted television personality.

Last year, at a similar inaugural conference in Miami Beach, a similar number of contributors came forward with a total of \$14.1 million in pledges to give UJA the greatest sum ever contributed to open a nationwide campaign.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Mrs. Hal Horne, chairman of the UJA National Women's division, and movie actress Lena Horne will address a meeting of more than 350 women leaders to open the conference today (Feb. 19).

The conference will continue Saturday evening with a session of UJA national officers and members of the appeal's 44-man national campaign cabinet to be addressed by William Rosenwald of New York, veteran UJA national chairman, Samuel H. Daroff, of Philadelphia, chairman of the cabinet, and others.

UJA Chairman Warburg, this week urged the American Jewish Community to "prepare to contribute far larger sums than at any time in the past to assure that the people of Israel are not weakened economically at a moment in their history when everything cries out for their economic strengthening."

Cops Crack Baby-Selling Racket; Fleeced Childless Jewish Couples

By ALLEN BERNFELD

Jewish Post Correspondent

MONTREAL (JP)—Montreal, Quebec, and New York law enforcement officials have cracked a \$3 million baby-selling racket which did a large part of its business with childless Jewish couples in the United States.

A veteran New York policewoman caught the alleged racketeers by "buying" an infant for \$3,500. Arrested were four persons, including Herman Buller, 38, a Montreal lawyer, who was seized by police just as he was about to board an airliner with three members of his family for a vacation in Israel.

Law enforcement and adoption officials here are up in arms because most of the babies sold were of Roman Catholic or Protestant birth. One of the strongest principles in adoption laws here is that the child must be of the same religion as the adopting couple.

The Montreal Star said that legitimate adoption agencies below the border have hopeful couples waiting for as long as five years. This provided a big market for the bootlegged babies. One reason for the long waiting period is said to be the compara-

tively small number of illegitimate babies born to Jewish girls.

Between 60 and 70 cases were said to be under investigation. The babies crossed the border by air or road.

Eisenstein Reported As Goldman Successor

CHICAGO (JP)—The biggest plum open in the rabbinical field at present may go to Rabbi Ira Eisenstein of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism (Reconstructionist) according to well informed Chicago sources.

Rabbi Eisenstein may succeed the late Rabbi Solomon Goldman as spiritual leader of Anshe Emet congregation, one of the largest in the United States.

... with organizations

● **Brotherhood** . . . Institutes on Judaism for leaders of church women's groups will be conducted by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods throughout the United States during the observance of Brotherhood Week, Feb. 21-28.

● **Anniversary** . . . Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America will commemorate the 20th anniversary of Youth Aliyah, a worldwide child rescue and rehabilitation movement, with a six week national celebration starting Feb. 19 and ending Apr. 4, which has been designated World Jewish Child's Day.

● **Culture** . . . The Seminary Israel Institute, a lecture forum sponsored jointly by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and the Jewish Agency for Palestine and aimed at strengthening the spiritual and cultural bonds between Israel and Ameri-

ca will open Feb. 10 in New York. Sessions will be held on six consecutive Tuesdays beginning Feb. 16.

● **Contest** . . . To stimulate interest and research in American Jewish history, the American Jewish Historical Society is offering three awards of \$500, \$300, and \$200 as first, second, and third prizes respectively in cash or in the form of scholarships at recognized schools of higher learning, for the best essays in the field of American Jewish history.

Rabbi Says Men Spurn Women Ex-Soldiers

JERUSALEM — "Even non-Orthodox young men refuse to marry girls who have served in the army because they no longer trust their fidelity," an Orthodox rabbi charged in court here last week.

Rabbi B. Mendelsohn testified in defense of Rabbi Amram Blau and ten of his followers who are on trial for illegal assembly to protest against national service for women.

The rabbi argued that the Torah forbids national service for young women who, to remain virtuous must remain under the exclusive control of their family.

One of the defendants, a former member of the army, charged that the army weekly "Bamahane" contains "pornographic" pictures.

Council for Judaism Counts Gains Up to Coming Annual Conference

By BEN GALLOP

Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (JP)—The anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism will hold its tenth annual conference at the Warwick hotel in Philadelphia April 29-May 2 in an atmosphere of faith that it has scored major propaganda gains against the Zionist movement in recent months.

In announcing the call to convention, president Lessing J. Rosenwald declared that Council policies, for the first time in the anti-Zionist group's ten years of existence, were being "recognized by our government as the only realistic and fair basis for a solution of the tensions in the Middle East and the maintenance of world peace."

"We have a duty to examine

the various courses of action open to us in the immediate future," Rosenwald declared.

The most recent example of the Council's strategy in connection with the Republican administration's new look was a statement denouncing American Jewish and Zionist pressure against state department plans to supply arms to Arab states on a unilateral basis.

The expanding Council program of religious education for children also will occupy an important place on the tenth conference agenda, Rosenwald said. Another item apparently slated for consideration at the annual conference will be the proposal of the last World Zionist Actions Committee meeting for establishment of a new all-inclusive agency of both Zionist and non-Zionist supporters of Israel.

CONFIRMS POSITION

This proposal, addressed to all organizations of American Jews "with the carefully noted exception of the American Council for Judaism," Rosenwald said, "confirms the validity of our position and underscores the basic difference between us and so-called 'non-Zionist' bodies," a reference to the American Jewish committee, of which Rosenwald is a member.

Rosenwald asserted that there was "early prospect of at least half a dozen schools for Judaism in operation" by the time of the Conference. This "overwhelming response to our efforts to provide for some American Jewish children an education in a Judaism free of the trappings of Israeli nationalism has placed on our doorstep problems which would give pause to many an organization with ten times our resources and experience."

Anti-Zionist Unit Chief Complains of Lillienthal

NEW YORK (JP)—More in sorrow than in anger, Rabbi Elmer Berger, executive director of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism, complained this week that Council board member Alfred E. Lillienthal had failed to give the anti-Zionist body proper credit in his new book, "What Price Israel."

The complaint was made in a review by Rabbi Berger appearing in the February Council News, official organ of the Council.

Rabbi Berger asserted he could not understand how anyone could write an anti-Zionist book on Zionism "and mention the American Council for Judaism so infrequently and casually as Mr. Lillienthal does."

Noting that the Council's viewpoints "have reached to Time and Life" and is "known and quoted in the Middle East, including the Israeli press," the Council executive said that Lillienthal's book was "remiss, factually, because of his failure to credit the Council with its accomplishments..."

Rabbi Berger, without mentioning Lillienthal's membership in the Council, declared that "Lillienthal leaves the uninitiated reader with the impression that his is a voice crying in the wilderness."

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- MORDECAI R. KIDRON, Israel's Deputy Permanent Representative to the U. N., assessing the progress of the Point Four Program in Israel.
- CHAPLAIN LOUIS BERNSTEIN, after a visit to Camp Foehrenwald, analyzing the reasons motivating the "returnees" from Israel.

Additional features include an allegorical story about a rabbit who wanted to be a Jew, a special art feature on Jewish greeting cards, a report on party-conscious Israel by our Israel correspondent.

In addition, there are interesting photos, art work, news items and stimulating editorials. Among our contributions are:

- Shimon Wincelberg, columnist of National Jewish Post and short story award winner
- ★ Moshe Kohn, former Managing Editor of the Jewish Post
- Moshe Krone, one of Horizon's Israeli correspondents
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—ON 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Hadassah Youth Aliyah's Leader Sees Bright Future for Program

By MARGO WOLFF

Jewish Post Correspondent

IT'S Hadassah Youth Aliyah's birthday!

Just 20 years ago today (Feb. 19) 43 Jewish children from Germany arrived safely in Haifa. The little group of youngsters from Berlin was only the vanguard of the approximately 10,000 Jewish children to be saved from Nazi-dominated Europe by the youth movement, which will celebrate its 20th anniversary for the next six weeks.

Only a handful of pioneer workers may have realized at the time that the landing at Haifa was the beginning of a new "Purim" in Jewish history. Though there was no Queen Esther involved, thousands of Hadassah members, led by founder Henrietta Szold, ably upheld the Persian queen's tradition.

IN THE FOREFRONT of the Hadassah workers was Dr. Miriam Freund, present Youth Aliyah chairman of Hadassah. Armed with the objective approach of a scientist, however, her sophisticated voice becomes tender with compassion when she recalls the second wave of Youth Aliyah:

"It was only a tiny one; children from Teheran who wandered nearly a thousand days before finally reaching Israel."

She is quite proud of the job Youth Aliyah has done in easing the transition from such a vagrant life to the discipline of work in a settlement.

With motherly pride, Dr. Freund explains that the percentage of mentally disturbed children from these groups is relatively low. She attributes this to the



DR. MIRIAM FREUND
Generation of Redeemers

warmth and devotion of the foster mothers who live with the children in a near-family relationship.

HOW DO the oriental children like this western-style family life?

"They all undergo reorientation," says Dr. Freund. "Not only their language, but their set of values has to be changed."

Will the oriental children respond to the Youth Aliyah program of education?

"Of course," says Dr. Freund. "Our job now is Youth Aliyah's supreme test."

"For nearly 15 years, Youth Aliyah operated as a rescue organization. For 15 years its work meant life or death. Today it means moral rehabilitation. Now we fight only superstition; medieval concepts of life, and stubbornness. With patience, we will certainly arrive at a solution," she says, with conviction.

YOUTH ALIYAH ADDS about 400 students monthly; a hundred from abroad, and 300 from the ma'abarot.

Dr. Freund thinks reports of strong back-to-the-city movement among new Youth Aliyah students are greatly exaggerated. She says that 85 per cent of graduates choose to remain in settlements. Most of these "old-timers," who have founded more than 40 new settlements, have be-

come instructors of the newcomers.

"The record of our graduates in Israel's War of Independence is splendid," she says proudly.

Youth Aliyah, in its emphasis on agriculture, has not neglected professionals, scientists, and artists, according to Dr. Freund, who is also chairman of rural education centers in Israel. She says Youth has sponsored several artists who desired special education in their chosen field. One of them today is one of Israel's top book-illustrators.

SHE LOOKS to the future with confidence. Her fondest aim is to funnel an ever-increasing flood of children into Israel.

A marked map on the wall of her office shows that 72 nations of the world have already contributed children to Israel. The total is an impressive 62,000.

Dr. Freund feels confident the next decade will see the redemption of the ghetto-dwellers of Morocco, Tunis, Oran and Casablanca.

Descendant of a family of Jewish scholars, she has devoted many years to Zionist activities. As a high school teacher, the mother of two sons and a musician Sabra daughter-in-law, she is an expert in the field of Jewish education.

"American Jewry is truly privileged to belong to the Youth Aliyah redeemer generation," she declares.

Shepherdess



Australian-born Joyce Hane-man, 23, who tamed lions for the Bertram Mills Circus in England has turned shepherdess in one of the Emek Valley settlements in Israel. The former lion tamer poses with two of her less bashful wards. They are among the new strain of sheep bought recently by the Israeli government from Turkey and Argentina.

Defendant Appeals Stamp Fraud Decision

JERUSALEM (JP)—A lawyer's clerk who was sentenced to a year in prison for attaching a used stamp to an envelope he had mailed, has appealed to the Israel Supreme Court.

His lawyer claimed the defendant, Eleazer Aderei, 63, did not know the stamp had been used and that the court had no evidence to prove he did. The lawyer added, that in any event, the sentence was out of proportion to the crime as the stamp involved was of 30 pruta denomination (less than 2 cents).

Harold Goldenberg Quits Israel Post

TEL AVIV (JP)—Harold Goldenberg, who is the top American Jew in Israel, has resigned as head of the Investment Centre here. He gave as reasons the press of his personal business in Israel.

Goldenberg is a former national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, and a former vice-president of the Zionist Organization of America.

He came to Israel about four years ago, built a home at Rehovoth near Weizmann's residence, and now spends more than half the year in Israel.

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Canadian Jews Keep Eyes on Law Which Might Muzzle Anti-Semites

By ALLAN BERNFELD

Jewish Post Correspondent

MONTREAL (JP)—The Jewish community here is watching to see what will happen to a new provincial law which may muzzle some notorious anti-Semites.

The law, known as the Freedom of Worship Act, was unanimously approved recently by the Quebec legislature. It forbids "abusive or insulting attacks" on the religious beliefs of any part of the province's population.

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The law was aimed at the Witnesses of Jehovah, who for several years have distributed violently anti-Catholic propaganda in this predominantly Catholic province.

The Witnesses are now fighting in two separate courts to have the bill declared illegal.

Jews are concerned because the law would probably silence two vociferous anti-Semites here. They are Adrien Arcand, leader of Quebec's fascists, and Gerar Langlois, of Quebec city, who fills his four-page monthly, "Le Cactus," with fantastic anti-Jewish charges.

Lawyers here expect the new law will be fought to the Supreme Court of Canada, which will have to rule on its constitutionality.

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Willner, a farm manager, said he has been a citizen of three other countries—Austria, Czechoslovakia and France—while Mrs. Willner

has been a citizen of Palestine, Czechoslovakia and France.

The Willners were both born in Germany and were married in France in 1937 after they fled the Hitler terror. The children, both born in France, will become American citizens next year.

Willner said the family came here from France in 1948. During World War II he was a member of the Czechoslovakian Legion and the French underground.

Camp Belle Aire Seeks Counselors

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (JP) — Camp Belle Aire, high in the Cumberland Mountains of Tennessee, is seeking qualified young adults to serve as senior counselors during the 1954 summer season.

The remunerative positions are open to all experienced campers throughout the South and Midwest. The minimum age is 21.

Camp Belle Aire is situated eight miles east of Sparta, Tenn., on the Cumberland Plateau, an area noted for its moderate summer climate.

Mrs. Bea Komisar of Nashville, camp director, termed the vacancies "an opportunity to participate in a unique training course for Jewish community leadership."

She said the demand for additional counselors "grew naturally out of a general expansion of the camp" during this, its second year. Two hundred campers are expected for the eight-week season opening June 20.

Mrs. Dinkelspiel, 49, Dies in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (JP)—Mrs. Florence Dinkelspiel, 49, wife of Lloyd W. Dinkelspiel, well-known leader in Jewish and civic affairs, died recently after a long illness.

For years, Mrs. Dinkelspiel was active in civic and welfare work. She served as a member of the Board of Education for 11 years, being its vice president when she

retired in 1946. She served as president of the Mt. Zion Hospital Women's auxiliary, as women's chairman of the Jewish Welfare Fund, and in a number of their leading positions.

Deaths

RABUSHKA—Hyman. The Officers, Board of Directors, Faculty and Members of the Yeshiva Rabbi Zacharia Joseph of St. Louis, Mo., records with deep sorrow the passing of Hyman Rabushka, for many years president of our worthy institution. He gave generously toward its support. We extend sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.
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Biblical Themes Provide the Fuel For Yet Another Artist's Genius

By LILLI ELLER

Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (JP)—Biblical themes have been the inspiration for countless artists almost since the story of Genesis first saw light of day.

So it isn't the subject of painter John Shayn's art that provides a new departure; it's his approach.

And his approach is loaded with color.

Flowing swirls of brilliant hues splash the canvases depicting such Biblical favorites as King David, Moses, Isaiah, and Adam and Eve. Using the new technique of "waxcolors," Shayn's paintings, now on exhibit on a one-man show in New York, have squeezed some hearty praise out of usually tight-lipped art critics.

"My aim is to capture on canvas the poetry of the Bible," says Shayn.

AND HE'S WELL on his way to doing just that. In the past six years he's produced 70 paintings based on Biblical themes. His current exhibit consists of 21 of the best of these.

Shayn, born in Boston as Jack Sheinfein, feels this, his ninth exhibit, to be the climax of his artistic career.

"I guess this is what I have been leading up to all my life."

Now 52, Shayn got his start at 20 when he painted an illuminated megillah for the Sephardic shul which his family attended in Boston. Then followed years in commercial art in New York. In 1947 came the break.

"I felt I ought to be doing something really creative. I turned to the Bible," he explains.

FOR SIX YEARS he immersed himself in the study of the Bible in Hebrew. In addition, he used ancient Babylonian and Greek texts as sources for his inspiration. As one result, a reference Bible is on hand in the 57th street gallery where his work is on exhibition. Visitors may refer to the less familiar passages from which stems the inspiration for some of the paintings.

When the present one-man exhibit closes, Shayn hopes to take his work on a nation and world-wide tour, the itinerary to include Israel.

"I want these to be seen in Israel, where they belong," he explains, with a fond glance at his paintings. He's never been in the Jewish State.

SHAYN HAS HUNG a fat price tag on his work. The pictures on exhibition range from a minimum of \$900 to a top of \$3,000.

"I want to reach the masses, but I realize that to most these prices are prohibitive," he admits.

In order to reach a wider audience, he plans to produce and sell an illustrated Bible using full-color reproductions of his paintings. His idea, though not yet fully worked out, has drawn a nibble from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Pending certain considerations, such as finding an "angel" to help cover the cost of the color plates, the UAHC may publish such a Bible.

When it does, Shayn will have joined an illustrious company



Ruth and Boaz

Here's Artist David Shayn's conception of Biblical figures Ruth and Boaz. The book of Ruth relates the story of the Moabitess who received the faith of God and married Boaz, a

Jew. It is a story of faith, patience, affection and the providence of God, and the last few verses show Ruth as great-grandmother of King David.

KNOWS OF MANY

Vivacious Young Israeli Favors More Israeli-American Unions

By MARGO WOLFF

Jewish Post Correspondent

WITH Israeli-American marriages a center of interest these days, a vivacious young educator who's in the know, has cast her vote in favor of such unions.

Shulamith Kaznelson, headmistress of three ulpanim (modern Hebrew language classes) currently in this country as an exchange student, believes that east and west can "meet" in Israel.

"I know of some wonderful examples," she says. "An Israeli boy happily married to a former Polish DP; a Yemenite girl, who has become the ideal wife of a former Lithuanian boy."

MISS KAZNELSON went on to explain that a number of romances between east and west began and found a happy ending during ulpan studies. Asked if there is a record of "ulpan weddings?" she replied, "Of course."

Ulpanim are highly "individualized" in Israel, according to the young educator. All of these schools are sponsored by the Israel Ministry of education, together with the Jewish Agency. Besides ulpanim in kibbutzim, there are at present such schools in Jerusalem and near Haifa, and a third one which was originally in Naharia is now located in Nathaniya.

Altogether, 8,000 students have graduated these schools, the majority of which remained in Israel to work.

ASKED HOW professionals, without formal knowledge of the



SHULAMITH KAZNELSON
Some Wonderful Examples

Hebrew language, and people over 40, get along, Miss Kaznelson said that they are very much accepted in the ulpanim.

"Maturity is nothing to be ashamed of," she says. "We need older and experienced workers for our young State of Israel."

Don't they suffer from "inferiority complexes" by being among younger students? Miss Kaznelson denies this emphatically, explaining that "ulpan is not only a language school. It is a movement; a kind of chalutzit—even for old-timers."

A MEMBER OF ONE of the Bilu families, Miss Kaznelson represents the fourth generation of pioneering. Very active in the "ulpanim movement," she explained that the curriculum includes trips throughout the country, and lasts a few months.

Following the pattern of language schools of the United States Armed Forces, Israel's ulpanim are "definitely still expanding."

She believes that ulpan is the "open door for Israelization."

Bright Sayings



The men at the table were discussing a holy war.

Little Betty, 6, asked:

"What is a holy war? Is that when people throw Torahs at each other?"

Your Name

Want to know what your name means? Address your question to Mr. Pearlroth, National Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

By N. PEARLROTH



DEAR Mr. Pearlroth: The name is Sutin, and the folks came from Minsk Gubernia. LEWIS R. SUTIN, Albuquerque, N. M.

SUTIN is the Yiddish equivalent of Satan. However the Jewish term lacks completely the sinister connotation of the English Satan. It is rather a nickname applied to an ancestor of your family who was a man of a very dark complexion. The nickname became a family name in 1804 when Emperor Alexander I of Russia ordered all his Jewish subjects to choose family names. The Russian choice was mostly voluntary and many unobjectionable nicknames were made official family names.

DEAR Mr. Pearlroth: Please tell me the meaning of my name Fishkin. NATHAN H. FISHKIN, Bowie, Md.

FISHKIN is a patronymic, a name derived from an ancestor. The ancestor's name was Fishl (Ephraim), but in the intimate family circle the name must have been an affectionate Fishke. By the addition of "...in" which in Russian denotes descent the name became Fishkin, meaning "the son of Fishl." You failed to indicate the country of origin which is required in all queries. The name Fishkind has the same meaning.

Dutch Mark Birthday of Jewish Woman

THE HAGUE (WNS)—Memorial celebrations marking the 100th anniversary of the birth of Aletta Jacobs, a Jewish woman, who was the first of her sex to become a practicing physician in Holland, were held in a number of cities this week throughout the country. Dr. Jacobs, who died in 1929 at the age of 75, was one of Holland's leading feminists and a champion of equal human rights throughout the world.

FAMILY PSYCHOLOGIST

Intoxication of Romance Shouldn't Blind One to Reality

By DR. MILTON A. SAFFIR, Ph.D.

Director, Chicago Psychological Guidance Center

REBECCA Jacobson comes from a very religious home, and has led a very actively Jewish life. She has been dating Morton Gold steadily, and believes she is in love with him.

The only drawback about Morton is that neither he nor his family have ever had much of a Jewish background. Rebecca is a serious girl, and has discussed the problem with her parents. They would like her to marry an observant Jewish boy, but their first thought is for her happiness.

What are the prospects for a successful marriage in such a situation?

There have been many careful research studies to try to ascer-



DR. SAFFIR

tain what factors are responsible for happy or unhappy marriages. It has been found that there are a number of different factors which are related to the success of marriages.

ONE FINDING HAS BEEN that similarity of social, cultural, and religious backgrounds of the husband and wife is related to the happiness of the marriage. This does not mean that a marriage between two persons of differing backgrounds is always doomed to failure. It does mean that a larger proportion of such marriages are unsuccessful than of marriages in which the backgrounds are similar.

Every marriage involves adjustments by both the boy and the girl. There is evidence to indicate, though, that the wife usually does more of the adjusting than does the husband.

REBECCA SHOULD CONSIDER these factors carefully in arriving at her final decision. Perhaps there are other factors in her particular case that overbalance the obstacles that the differing Jewish

backgrounds may impose. But certainly she should be sure that the intoxication of romantic love does not blind her to realities that will influence her happiness for years ahead.

Certainly Rebecca and Morton should have some very serious discussions about the Jewish aspects of the home they might establish—including even questions about how their children would be reared—before they reach a conclusion about the advisability of their marriage. Even the most sincere agreements and promises during a courtship are not always a guarantee of what will happen later. But a mutual understanding on such a vital matter as religion is the very least that Rebecca should be satisfied with.

READERS ARE INVITED to submit their problems and comment to Dr. Saffir. Letters should be addressed to the National Jewish Post, P.O.B. 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.



WINCEMBERG

East Coast

Old Trick Gets New Twist To Movie Lovers' Benefit

FOR the past few years, prospective investors in the independent production of a low-budget, "Quartet"-type feature film, were always offered one parachute against total failure. That was the assurance that if the film turned out so bad that even a movie theater wouldn't take it, you could always cut it up into individual episodes for sale to television.

Now the Israel Motion Picture Studios, I am happy to say, seems on the verge of turning just the opposite trick. A number of private screenings of its latest films, all originally intended for organizational and television release, have so impressed a number of commercial film distribu-

tors around New York, there is a good chance they may be packaged into a feature for theatrical release.

AMONG THE FILMS thus considered are "Yonatan and Tali," "Son of Sulam," and "Tent City." And, as short subjects, to round out the program, a fine song film, starring Sharona Aron, an Omnibus-type documentary "Let's Look At Israel," and, possibly, "Sword's Point," a film made for the purpose of recruiting trainees into the Parachute Corps of the Israel Army.

All this should probably end the unhappy situation of past years, when a national organization would frequently expect an eager Israeli producer to invest \$5-10,000 and a year's time, on the chance that, if they liked the film, they might take it.

OF ISRAEL'S current crop of

films, the one unquestionably destined for the most delightful and respectful attention from the public and critics, is "Son of Sulam," made under the auspices of the IMPS, which recently won Israel's version of the Academy Award for the best job of direction.

"Son of Sulam" is not only one of the most skillful and entertaining semi-documentaries I have ever seen, but, whether intentionally or not, also makes a fine case for what the establishment of Israel means, or could mean, to the Arab peasant—respect for his age-old ways, and access to modern technical aid when and if he wants it. And all this is developed in the framework of a simple and charming love story.

THE FILM should be of particular interest to non-Jewish audiences, since, as I recall from my Army-sponsored geo-politics class at Providence College, one of the tenets of anti-Zionist propaganda here seems to be how the Arab led such a quaint, carefree, idyllic existence, before the wicked Zionists, with their subversive free-enterprise methods, started driving him out of the orange-business.

And the three little vignettes which make up "Let's Look At Israel," could almost serve as an object lesson to Hollywood on how short subjects should be handled for maximum entertainment, educational and artistic value.

CITRUS EXPORTS UP

JERUSALEM—Israel plans to export 7 million cases of citrus fruit this year to meet increasing demands, especially by the Scandinavian countries.

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MUSIC

ISRAELI COMPOSERS COME OFF BEST IN NEW YORK 92D ST. YHMA CONCERT

By JOSEPH GALE

THREE Israeli and three American Jewish composers were represented at an concert of their music earlier this month in the 92nd Street YM-YWHA in New York, and we must admit the Israeli composers came off best.

The concert consisted of the first performance of "Three Songs Without Words" for oboe and piano, by Paul Ben Haim; "Yizkor" for viola and piano, by Odeon Partos, and "Duo for violin and piano," by Yehuda Wohl, all Israeli composers. The American contingent listed a first performance of "Two Psalms," for voice and piano, by Erich Ikor Kahn; David Diamond's "Third String Quartet," and Concerto for Piano Without Orchestra," by Joseph Achron. The affair was sponsored by the American Fund for Israel Institutions and the YM-YWHA, and was a feature of Jewish Music Month.

WE WERE SO BESIIEGED by dissonance that when Wohl's "Duo" came up, we accepted its more or less traditional style with gratitude. The Duo turned out to be a practiced and fiery work well-played by Lea Ostroiansky, a young violinist of considerable promise, and continued the high point of a not particularly distinguished evening.

The Concerto that followed—a short, contentious piece-seemed to us to be the best of the American compositions, and Daniel Pollack, an extremely dexterous young man, drew bravos with it.

"Yizkor" simply meandered along. The violinist, William Lincer, a New York Philharmonic man and one of the best violinists on the metropolitan scene, might have done more with it, we thought, but he didn't seem interested.

THE KOHON STRING QUARTET with Diamond "Quartet," acquitted itself creditably and special mention ought to go to violinist Sol Montlack and cellist Isadore Gusikoff. The final two movements were well-written and provided a solid anchor for the rather formless and flighty movements which preceded them. But the whole work impressed one with a feeling of rushing off in

all directions and doing so most seriously.

The program opened with the "Songs" by Ben Haim, played by Lois Wann, accompanied by Erich Ikor Kahn. Miss Wann, who is one of the best oboists around, was a trifle off her form, but good enough to drop cards and spades and still win. The composition consisted of an arioso, ballade and sephardic melody.

KAHN'S "PSALMS," unless they were twelve-tonal, had no real excuse for being. Certainly they should not have been tendered to a mezzo-soprano, an uncomfortable voice to accommodate at best. Ruth Kobart struggled valiantly with them, and deserved all the applause she got. But it was a losing fight, and while we appreciated her efforts, we could not but commiserate over the chore.

In general, we should say, the work of Israelis directly reflected their environment, hopes and dreams. Theirs was the light, reflective sort of music that suggests ideas but seldom expresses them distinctly. This is no criticism; after all, Debussy did the same. If we could not savor their efforts, at least we realized they were striving after a new kind of statement to give value to experiences in a land just born.

The Americans, however, were too sophisticated for their own good. One man chose a style obviously above him. Another was effete, and nothing lingered in the mind when his music had ended, and the third substituted fireworks for bread. After the smoke cleared away, we were aware of having feasted on color. But we were hungry.

JERUSALEM—The Mayor of Paris, M. Frederic Dupont, is visiting Israel.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Cantor's Calories Come Costly But Benny's Willing to Shell Out

PEOPLE who have gone into over-priced restaurants and wound up with a \$15 bill for two, plus indigestion, may find consolation in the "calamity" that befell comedian Jack Benny, who ate what may go down in the annals of gastronomy as the most expensive meal in town. It seems that Benny was invited to dine at the home of comedian Eddie Cantor recently when, during the course of the meal, Cantor mentioned the Bonds for Israel drive. "I could see Jack was interested," Cantor recalls, "but he floored me when he wrote a check for \$25,000." Adds Cantor: "The only reference I ever heard him make about it was when he told a mutual friend: 'Don't ever eat at Cantor's house. He serves the most expensive meals in town.'"



BENNY

Must Live With Self

AL ROSEN, Cleveland baseball star, suggested recently on a nation-wide television program that he was less concerned with what non-Jews thought than what he thought of himself in explaining why he did not play with the Indians on Yom Kippur. Rosen appeared on the CBS-TV program for young people, "Look Up and Live," produced during February in cooperation with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, national Reform congregational body. Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, UAHC president, asked Rosen if the latter did not

agree that his refusal to play on Yom Kippur was not respected by both Jews and non-Jews. Rosen replied politely that he was less concerned with the respect of others than with his own self-respect.

Brotherhood Booster

AN 18-year-old college student from South Bend, Ind., has become the first teenager to be selected for recognition by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Diane Pollock will be honored Feb. 21 on a nation-wide television program for her record of leadership in the organization of the St. Joseph County (Ind.) Junior Round Table of Christians and Jews, a group comprising members of all faiths, which includes among its accomplishments numerous institutes and workshops on intergroup relations, a workshop on leadership training, a survey of housing conditions and a survey of attitudes of high school youth towards job discrimination.



DIANE

Misunderstood Actor

Claiming he was misunderstood when he recently told The Post that local performers who use Israel's name really have nothing original to contribute to the theatre, actor Mordecai Ben-Zeev, member of Israel's Chamber Theatre now on a visit to this country, said he really meant "the visiting Israeli artist has to be

fully prepared for his cultural mission in the United States. Actors should read pieces that convey the spirit of the young state," he went on to say. Ben-Zeev emphasized he did not intend to criticize any of his colleagues who are visiting this country. "All I wanted to say was that it is not enough for an artist to be from Israel in order to be a good performer, but the people I know have both qualities," he added.

Some Suckers!

FROZEN Eskimo pies have become the basis for a torrid debate in Israel according to Louis Yagoda, CARE emissary to that republic, who has returned to the United States for a few months. Explains Yagoda, "All the ingredients—even the stick—must be imported, and many people think the government should use its precious foreign exchange for more important things." However, Eskimo pies have proven to be popular with people of all ages, and there is a question of "damage to the morale" of Israelis if the ice-cream delicacy should be withdrawn.

Names in Review

LOUIS J. Reizenstein, industrialist and civic leader, has been elected president of the Pittsburgh (Pa.) Jewish Fund for 1954 . . . Arthur D. Leiden-dorf, New York civic and communal leader, has been named chairman of the Youth Committee of the National Jewish Welfare Board's Jewish Center Division . . . Jacob L. Wiseman, Boston attorney and Jewish leader, has been named chairman of the NJWB Armed Forces committee for the first army area, which embraces New England, New York and New Jersey.

Rabbi Myron Weingarten of Pittston, Pa., has become spiritual leader of Temple B'nai B'rith in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

IT'S THE TRUTH!

By SAMUEL DEUTSCH

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THE FIRST automatic doughnut machine in America was invented by Adolph Levitt, a Bulgarian Jewish immigrant. He also founded the Doughnut Corporation of America and was primarily instrumental in developing this food delicacy to its present popularity in America.

PRIOR TO 1951 all Jews who wanted to settle in Norway had to be baptized into the Christian faith to be admitted to that country.

THE FIRST independent seminary in America for the training of rabbis was Maimonides College in Philadelphia.

WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

'OLD WIVES TALES' TURN OUT TO BE JUST PLAIN GOOD COMMON SENSE

By HELEN COHEN

LOOKS like your grandmother and mine have again been vindicated. When my mother, like hers before her, went out of her way never to bring me bad tidings during my several pregnancies, when she wrote only of pleasant happenings, when she avoided any matter that might be depressing or shocking, it wasn't just superstition or "old-wives tales," it was good sense.



HELEN COHEN

We see in the Ladies Home Journal that there is "prenatal influence," or so Doctor Ashley Montague, of the Department of Anthropology at Rutgers, asserts. Expectant mothers who, though not neurotic themselves, have, during their pregnancy undergone great emotional strain, may give birth to neurotic babies. Husbands and other members of her family are therefore urged to shower their affection on the expectant mother, so that she feels loved and secure. Keep her happy!

And would you like to know the scientists' findings about what they once considered another "old wives tale"—that the pregnant woman's "peculiar cravings for certain foods were bad for her unborn baby"? Again mister scientist has had to back down. Evidence has been accumulated to prove that when the mother over-indulges in a certain food during her pregnancy, her child may be born allergic to that food. One example which Dr. Montague quotes from the files of Dr. Bret Ratner of New York: A mother who craved nuts, and indulged her desire to the extent of about a pound a day, gave birth to a son who developed, in his fourth year, a positive reaction to that delicacy. As soon as he stopped eating nuts, his allergy attacks ceased. Moral: pregnant women should avoid excessive indulgence in any one food" (I wonder how much milk a day would be considered excessive since it is so important a part of her diet?)

THERE IS ONE other bit of information from the article that I would like to pass on to you on the subject of smoking. Almost makes one feel sorry for those pore little cigarette companies (than whom no advertisers are more smooth and convincing as they reap their thousands of steady new young customers each season as our children grow up). The cigarette industry receives yet another blow.

"That there is an effect (on the child of the pregnant mother smoking) is certain, writes the author. . . .smoking of even one cigarette may produce a change in the heart rate of the unborn child. . . .although no definite evidence yet, maternal smoking may do damage not only to the heart of the unborn child but to its blood vessels and possibly to many other organs. It is quite conceivable, though unproved, that the increase of smoking among pregnant women may bear some relationship to the increase in cardiac conditions in our population. With these possibilities in mind, many women will certainly wish to give up smoking during their pregnancy rather than take a chance on the health of their babies."

Might bear in mind next time you watch some of those silky-talking TV cigarette announcers. Habits aren't so easy to break, even if a woman happens to be expecting a baby.

ZOO TO ZOO

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One Thing About February; We Get a Glimpse of Spring

By SARAH LIEBER

ONE thing about the erratic February weather, we do get glimpses of the spring to come. I broke off some branches of the forsythia bush and put them in water in the dining room. Now, in spite of snow and wind out-of-doors, there is spring indoors in the lovely yellow blossoms. Must try some other branches of flowering shrubs. Thus, with beauty for the eye, family conversation on a high level, and nourishing dishes, we feast the body, the mind, and the spirit at our table.

SWEET SOUR HEART

1 beef heart or 2 veal hearts	4 tbsps water
1½ cups stewed tomatoes	4 tbsps brown sugar
4 tbsps hot melted shortening	2 tbsps flour
½ cup vinegar	2 tbsps hot melted shortening
	1 tsp salt

Cube heart after cutting away fat and membranes. Saute in hot melted shortening 10 minutes. Add tomato, vinegar, water and brown sugar. Cover and simmer 40 minutes or until heart is tender. Brown flour in melted shortening, stirring to prevent lumping. Blend in some of the gravy from the cooked heart combination. Cook about 5 minutes until thickened. Combine with main mixture. Taste and add salt. Simmer 10 minutes. Good with boiled broad noodles or steamed rice. Serves 6.

STUFFED KISHKE (DERMA)
thanks to Mrs. L. Fishman

Casings may be purchased from the butcher, who has cleaned them. Wash inside and out in cold water, and scrape free of fat. Twelve-inch lengths are easiest for handling. After thorough cleaning, rinse in lukewarm water, turning inside out to be sure they are clean. Wipe dry with paper towel. Sew together one end before stuffing.

STUFFING FOR EACH 12-INCH LENGTH

1 cup flour	pinch pepper
½ cup chopped beef suet	pinch nutmeg
1 onion	2 tbsps matzo meal or cracker crumbs
½ tsp salt	

Combine flour and finely chopped fat. Grate onion and stir in. Add seasoning and crumbs. Stir well to blend thoroughly. Place casing in center of mixture and begin stuffing by turning in the end with the mixture as you proceed. Do not stuff too tightly, to avoid bursting. Sew up end or tie securely. Plunge into boiling water for 1 minute. Roast with meat, cholent, tzimmas, or poultry. It may also be roasted on a bed of sliced onions with schmaltz for 1½ to 2 hours or until browned. Cut into slices for serving.

BEEF TONGUE ONE DISH MEAL

fresh beef tongue, about 4 lbs.	½ cup diced carrots
cold water to cover	½ cup diced celery
1 clove garlic	3 sliced onions
1 onion	½ cup sliced green beans
2 bay leaves	12 small peeled new

10 peppercorns
1 tsp salt
potatoes

Combine tongue, seasoning, spices and water and bring to a rapid boil. Reduce heat and simmer 1½ hours. Remove tongue from liquid. Remove skin and trim away fat and tough parts at the base. Strain the liquid and set aside. Place vegetables in a roasting pan. Place trimmed tongue on top. Pour liquid over all. Cover and bake in slow oven 300 degrees 2 hours or until tender. Remove cover to brown. With a green salad, this is a fine meal. Serves 6 to 8.

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A Word to the Wives

MUCH talk of Brotherhood Week in the organizations to which I belong. Programs are being arranged by schools and inter-faith groups. Every week, yes, every day should be full of brotherhood, but I suppose we all need a reminder now and then.

When my son was a little fellow, he had a very dear friend of another faith and a very different background. Once each week they lunched with one another, taking turns at being host. We mothers cooperated by observing the restrictions of each. But we made it our business to feed the boys foods characteristic of our own backgrounds. What may have seemed strange at first soon became a treat. And a beautiful lesson was learned without any fancy lectures. I don't think either boy now needs a special week to remind him that all men are brothers, and all of us God's children.

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Soviet Union Apparently Continues Relaxation of Restriction on Jews

NEW YORK (JP)—Russia is apparently continuing the relaxation of restrictions on Jews which began after Stalin's death last year.

Jewish prisoners are being released. Jewish journalists and writers are being mentioned and printed more frequently in Soviet publications. And the name of Biro-Bidjan, the mysterious "Jewish Autonomous Region" has popped up again in Pravda and other Russian newspapers.

A Jew who was formerly responsible for the administration of the Jewish cemetery at Weissensee near Berlin, the largest in Europe, has been released with a number of others after eight years' detention in Russian prisons for so-called "political crimes."

THOUSANDS IMPRISONED

According to Jewish detainees, as reported in the Jewish Chronicle of London, thousands of Jews who had registered for emigration to Israel—the majority from Romania—had been arrested, sentenced to long terms of imprisonment, and sent to forced labor camps all over Russia. There were no special camps for Jews. Some are now being released.

Ilya Ehrenburg and David Zaslavsky are once again prominent spokesmen in the official daily Soviet press after being shoved into the background during Stalin's last years.

JEWISH NAMES REAPPEAR

But more significant, Jewish contributors to education, scientific, and scholarly publications have become much more numerous recently. In the Soviet mathematical school journals, Jewish names, such as Bloch, Helfan, Denman are very frequent. In one of the latest issues, about 20

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BOOKS

Many Composers Drawn to Jewish Material Through Synagogues

MEYER LEVIN
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OF JEWISH MUSIC, by Albert
 Weisser, \$3.50, Bloch.

THIS excellent treatise is packed within information about composers like Bloch, Saminsky, Engel, and with anecdotes, such as the one about the cantor in an Ohio town who intoned "Adon Olom" to the tune of "Old Black Joe." He was a Hungarian cantor, and he had just "picked up the tune in the street." He thought it would fit. "The Last Rose of Summer," together with many an aria from Italian opera, was also frequently heard in Orthodox synagogues in the days of the high-style cantor. Perhaps, indeed, "The Jazz Singer" should have shown that the



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syncopating kid first learned his New Orleans beat in the shul.

Actually, Mr. Weisser has done a most scholarly job. His book may be read by musicologists, for it contains detailed analysis of materials of many of the leading composers in the Jewish field, and it may be read by the layman who can skim over these technical parts—As I had to do.

WEISSER BEGINS WITH an extremely interesting sketch of the state of Jewish culture a century ago, providing a condensed survey of the break-through to the movement of Enlightenment. He tells of the first collection of Jewish Folksongs by Ginsburg and Marek, in 1901, and of the foundation of the Society for Jewish Folk Music, giving us an interesting side-light on how the "Folk" got in. He shows how the professional musicians at first rather misused the folk material, giving complexity and indeed removing it from the folk.

He traces the development of modern synagogue music, the re-

turn to the ancient Hebrew material, and provides brief biographies and bibliographies of leading composers. Joseph Achron emerges as one of his favorites, while Ernest Bloch's work is cited as a virtual foundation stone for the new temple of music.

IT IS FASCINATING to notice how many composers, from Schoenberg to David Diamond and Leonard Bernstein, have been drawn to Jewish material, many of them through opportunities thoughtfully created by temples and synagogues. And Mr. Weisser's recital made me wonder whether writers could find a similar stimulation, in the Jewish community.

It ties in directly, for example, with the plea I made in these columns, a few weeks ago, for help in regard to my dramatization of Anne Frank's "The Diary Of A Young Girl." Probably my readers would be interested in the response.

I have been deeply touched by

that response. Almost a dozen groups took the trouble to send me copies of the letters they wrote to Otto Frank, and I presume there were many more letters that went to him, without copies to me.

ONE OF THE MOST dramatic offers was that of Rabbi Judah Nadich of Congregation Kehillath Israel, the largest conservative synagogue in Boston. Rabbi Nadich offered the use of his pulpit on a Friday evening, for a test of the play. He also offered the help of his synagogue's dramatic group.

Groups in Great Neck, L.I., Englewood, Buffalo, N. Y., Lexington, Ky., Brooklyn, N. Y., and Chicago, Ill., were among those who offered to test the play. I am sure that this response must bring the realization that the Jewish people feels this book to be part of its cultural heritage, and that the public cannot be disregarded in the decision as to the kind of play that shall be produced.

THIS FIGHT is by no means over. The producer, Kermit Bloomgarten, may not be aware of the intensity of feeling that the public has about this matter. Newspapers have so far refused to print my side of this controversy, although anyone can recognize that the offer of a prominent rabbi to test a play from his pulpit is indeed news. A good deal more effort will have to be made to impress the tight, closed little professional world of Broadway with the feeling of the Jewish public.

Therefore I ask that more and more of my readers continue to express themselves to Mr. Otto Frank, who can be reached in care of Doubleday and Co., 575 Madison Ave., New York. And it might not be inappropriate to write to Mr. Kermit Bloomgarten, 1545 Broadway. A producer may remain scornful of writers, but he cannot remain altogether scornful of the public.

I THINK AS I PLEASE

THIS COLUMN MARKS CARL ALPERT'S TENTH YEAR WITH POST FAITHFULS

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA—This is the 500th installment of "I Think As I Please" written for the National Jewish Post. It was in 1944, almost exactly ten years ago, that I first began to occupy this corner.

I was in the military service at the time, and shortly after the column began to appear I was informed by U. S. army censors that everything which appeared under my name would have to be submitted for approval. Obviously this would have involved considerable red tape, besides making it impossible for me to discuss political or controversial issues. There could be no objection to what my wife wrote, however, and for a period of some two years thereafter this column bore the by-line of Mrs. Carl Alpert.

She patiently lent me her identity for the purpose of circumventing the censors, but we both got a laugh out of the readers who penned their appreciation of the fine feminine touch in the writing.

I ESTIMATE that in these ten years of 500 columns the total wordage adds up to about three average sized books, though as I look back upon some of those writings, many of them quite clearly do not warrant any further preservation. I have touched upon almost every subject pertaining to contemporary Jewish life. There were many times when I essayed the role of prophet or prognosticator, and occasional, though fortunately not too many instances, when I was a poor prophet.

There have been times when I wrote under the influence of deep feelings, and times when I wrote in bitterness and in anger. There are some things I have written that I regret ever having put into print, especially those which hurt others.

ON THE WHOLE, I have enjoyed a pleasant relationship with



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my readers. They have been patient, encouraging, helpful, and I look forward to another ten years of thinking as I please.

The ideas expressed here have always been my own. Nobody has ever "bought" my views, and the result has been a certain spirit of independence on which I have prided myself, though it has irked some.

"Do you ever run out of ideas of things to write about?" I have been asked. The answer is—never. Especially since I have been in Israel, my little notebooks are filled to overflowing with dozens

of notations, each one the germ or the nucleus of another column. This country is rich in inspiration, and even without delving into the vast areas of politics and economics, I have not been wanting for ideas or material.

OCCASIONALLY I will get a little note from Gabriel Cohen telling me privately how thoroughly he disagrees with something I have written, but this column is never edited or censored after it leaves my desk. Every once in a while there are typographical errors which affect spelling or grammar, and which make me want to tear the hair out of the head of the unknown proof reader, but I suppose that happens even in the best of newspapers.

At all times I have been guided by a major principle: don't write to please people. Don't consider whether the reader will like it or not. The considerations should be: Is it interesting? Is it true? Does it serve a useful purpose? I think as I please.

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THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

Carl Alpert's completion of his 500 column for The Post gives us an opportunity to say a few words about him.

In the first place I envy Carl. He's living in Israel in one of the most beautiful cities in the world, rearing his small children in an environment where they can develop and flower to whatever their abilities. Carl too, as also Nechamah (Natalie) are free to seek whatever goals they may aspire to in Israeli life.

You may reply that such avenues for development are open to any Jew in the United States, or you may charge me with being un-American, because I thereby impute limitations to living a free life for the Jews in the U. S. But if you do, you will have failed to understand why Carl chose to live in Israel, and why I envy him for it.

A PERSON MAY move to Texas or Arizona and live the life of a rancher. This is a freer and more uninhibited life than is possible for the New Yorker. It is in that sense that I mean that living in Israel a Jew is completely uninhibited, and is limited in his ambitions and desire only by his own limitations.

Perhaps it is necessary for one to visit Israel, to feel exactly the point that I am trying to get across.

So I should resent Carl, instead of envying him. But no one can resent Carl.

Let me try to give you a short character sketch of him. Carl is one of the sweetest persons living—for a man. I doubt that he has any enemies.

BUT DON'T GET me wrong. He's not a Casper Milquetoast, as you who have read his column know. He's just a calm, reflective person, who goes about his business, and isn't concerned whether he gets recognition for something—he just wants to see things done, is not concerned with getting koved for doing them.

As educational director of the Zionist Organization of America, Carl did his work, a mountain-sized job, and no one worried whether his end of the organization was being taken care of. Carl is just about as efficient a person as there is. He is in this respect

particularly meticulous, if this is not a overburdening a noun with an unnecessary adjective.

In Israel, Carl is receiving one-sixth of the salary he got with the ZOA., and I can assure you that he was not paid munificently by that organization. He had been dreaming for a number of years of living in Israel, so when the job at the Technion (he's director of public relations) turned up, he seized it, despite the drastic cut in remuneration.

WHENEVER I USED to go to the office of the ZOA to visit Carl, which was almost every trip I made to New York, as I walked into the office I didn't need to ask for him. They knew I came to see him.

Now when I go into the ZOA office, I always ask the receptionist for Carl. She knows I know that Carl is in Israel, but she gets a big kick about this standing joke of mine, as does everybody else who happens to be in earshot.

WE HOPE we'll be around, or should I say I hope all you readers will be around together with many many thousand more when Carl completes his 1000th column.

Before getting up out of this chair, I want to say that in my opinion Carl is doing a better job with his column, now that he is in Israel, than he did while reflecting on the U. S. Jewish community.

Here's my theory on this:

Carl does not write from a political standpoint; in fact, he never did. When he first went to Israel, Carl wrote me several letters requesting that I suggest topics he might write about. In his column this week, he tells you that his note book is bulging with potential material for columns, he's that full up of things about Israel to tell you about.

SO CARL is giving the American Jewish community, a human, down to earth, average, everyday picture of life in the new Jewish state. With his background of knowledge of the U. S. Jewish community, and his sense for news, he's done this job, which no one else is doing, superbly.

The magazine articles you read on Israel must necessarily concern themselves with goings on of significance in the Jewish state—either in the political or economic or moral realm.

But Carl tells you about the people, and about life in Israel of the average family. This gives balance to the accounts you read elsewhere in The Post and in other publications about Israel, and is very necessary if we are not to get a lopsided picture of Israel life.

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Editor, Jewish Post:

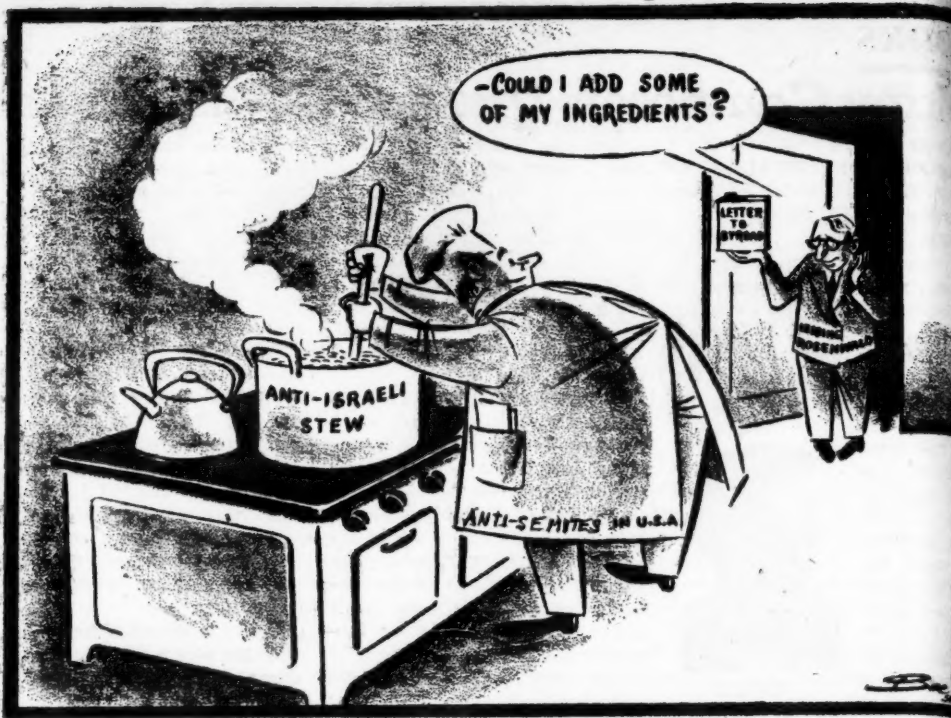
Teresa M. Levin has stated Americans are not free to judge the atomic spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. This is rather surprising in view of the fact that there are committees in over 50 American cities which have propagandized on behalf of the Rosenbergs and are continuing their efforts to vindicate them. Nothing has been done to interfere with the freedom of these committees.

It appears to be popular in France to believe that the Rosenbergs were innocent and also to assume that no one is entitled to an opinion in the matter if he believes that the Rosenbergs were deserving of their fate. I resent Mrs. Levin's stating that I was

less informed and less free to analyze the information concerning this case than persons abroad who sent letters and telegrams to President Eisenhower.

I followed the case carefully from the day of the Rosenbergs' arrest and have read every word of the thousands of pages of transcript of record, briefs of attorneys on appeal, court decisions, etc. I have discussed the case thoroughly with the best informed attorneys, some of whom read the manuscript of my book. I have good reason to doubt that those persons in France whose authority Mrs. Levin asks all Americans to accept as binding upon us, paid any serious attention to the case until more than

Cookie's Little Helper



Jews, Not Godfrey, at Fault

WE may not agree with the views of Arthur Godfrey and his relations to the Jewish community that seemed to be implicit in the news story (JP, Feb. 5, 1954) about him and the Greater Miami Jewish Federation.

Since Arthur Godfrey could not be reached for his answer, we don't know whether it is true or not although we doubt it that he has never stayed at a non-restricted hotel in Florida as Hal Bergida charges.

As for the accusation that none of Godfrey's performers are Jewish, a charge incidentally which we have heard before, we're willing to accept the answer that he has eighteen Jews working on his staff. We find it highly improbable that a person of Mr. Godfrey integrity would be

likely to be prejudiced against Jews, especially since so many of the big names in his profession are Jewish.

But what does strike us as offensive, and no doubt struck all readers of the article the same way, was the technique, now more or less common, of using non-Jewish big names to rally Jews to Jewish causes.

If only out of self respect, Jews should discontinue this practice.

We can see how professional fund raisers who rise or fall on dollars and cents results might be willing to use anyone as a speaker if it would bring in the money, but what about the lay leadership, can't they see the disrespect in this kind of approach?

Another Royal Family

LEADERSHIP is such a precious thing in United States Jewish life that when it is found to be concentrated in one family, as in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Engel, it should be a cause for rejoicing in the Jewish community.

Mrs. Irving Engel as president of the Council of Jewish Women occupies one of the most important positions in the United States Jewish community.

Now her husband, Irving Engel has as-

cended to the presidency of the American Jewish Committee.

Who imbued who, whether husband or wife to devote themselves to Jewish causes, is not at all important, and the chances are that even the Engels couldn't answer the question.

The important thing is that here is another royal family of the Jewish community, just as are the Rabbi Israel Goldsteins, all four having reached the top rung in major U. S. Jewish organizations.

Approves Compulsion At Yeshiva Services

Editor, Jewish Post:

I am rather late in presenting my reaction to the report that students at Yeshiva university were being threatened with expulsion if they failed to attend the religious services there. I don't know if the report is true. It may be true. If it isn't, there is good reason why it should be.

"Compulsion" (says the YU student newspaper) "is no way to solve religious problems." Quite right. If the students at a religious institution have not feeling enough to attend the services freely and willingly, they are in the wrong place and should transfer themselves at once to a non-denominational barber college.

Very few of the YU students are paying full tuition; and many of them, after years of Orthodox-supplied schooling and sustenance, take their degrees and go over to Conservative and Reform seminaries, where the grass is as green as \$50 bills.

If the Yeshiva U. officials can weed any of these parasites out now, they should certainly do so.

AVRAM DAVIDSON
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Zionists Should Stop Squabbling and Should Work Out a Plan

By M. Z. FRANK

THE FIRST item on the Service d'Informations Zionistes, published in Paris, for January 20, 1954 reads:

"Jerusalem—As always, the central figure at the present session (of the Zionist General Council) was Dr. Nahum Goldmann. He delivered the program address on the problems of the reorganization of the Zionist movement, which was the main basis for the discussion of the matter.

"It is the conclusion of nearly all the delegates that the present session was marked by its earnestness and that the decisions it reached were not hasty ones."



M. Z. FRANK

David Ben-Gurion in Sdeh Boker, and this writer in New York, independently of each other, reached conclusions which are the very opposite of the participants', as can be read in the Day Morning Journal of Sunday, January 30, or in the National Jewish Post of the Friday previous. I guess that's because we weren't on the spot to appreciate the historic significance of the great conclave.

Anyway, here is Ben-Gurion's judgement, as rendered into English on the front page of the Day-Morning Journal:

"The confusion and moral weakness of the organized Zionist Movement were not revealed for the first time at the recent session of the Zionist Actions Committee in Jerusalem."

THE ONE sensible decision arrived at at the Actions Committee meeting was to postpone the Zionist Congress till the summer of 1955. The reasons given are stupid. But the fact is that between now and 1955 the Zionists have time to do a little thinking. The most that a session of a Congress or of the Actions Committee can do is to crystallize the thinking that has been done before. If there is no preliminary thinking, nothing will happen at the Congress except the ugly name-calling that took place in Jerusalem in the summer of 1951, or the mutual admiration of Leaders-in-need-of-Reassurance as what took place at the recent session of the Actions committee. Even Herzl carefully thought out his ideas and program before he came to the Zionist Congress. But our present leaders—and God knows, they are not Herzls—postpone their thinking for the meetings.

On top of that, there are very few Zionist problems which can profitably be discussed at a world conclave. Political, cultural and even economic activity for Israel in America can only be discussed in America, and solved in America. The highest Zionist body is now little more than a rubber stamp—in important matters, at least—to the UJA, the Israel Government and to local organizations. Among the few things the Congress or the Actions committee could initiate—if it had the will, the imagination and the courage—is that of aliyah from the free countries where the Zionist movement is active.

SUPPOSE THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT sets up as its objective to effect the immigration of some

300,000 Jews from the free countries to Israel within the next decade, that is, 30,000 per annum, as follows:

- 100,000 from the United States;
- 10,000 from Canada;
- 25,000 from South Africa;
- 5,000 from Australia and New Zealand;
- 75,000 from the Argentine;
- 25,000 from Brazil and other Latin-American countries;
- 50,000 from England;
- 10,000 from France, Italy, Holland, Belgium and other countries of Western Europe.

This goal should be independent of the immigration from Northern Africa and other Moslem countries and the countries behind the Iron Curtain, if it should part.

I DON'T MEAN just proclaiming the goal. I mean working out careful plans for co-ordinated activities of propaganda, education, financing, facilitating adjustment in Israel, etc. And, careful as the plans are, they shall also be flexible.

It is not enough for Goldmann to deliver speeches all over the globe, or for Ben-Gurion to settle old scores and vent his spleen on Zionist leaders.

The first question is: What is the maximum that is capable of GOLDMANN accomplishment under the present circumstances?

The next question is: How do you go about accomplishing the job?

Nothing else ought to matter.



ETHICAL VEGETARIAN SEES RELIGION AS PURELY PERSONAL WAY OF LIFE

● Editor, Jewish Post:

I read the article of the Chicago Traditional Synagogues snubbing 'Non-Kosher Public Dinner' the Jewish Federation of Chicago held, in your January 22 issue and am saddened by the intolerance shown by the Traditional Synagogues in this matter.

As far as I am concerned, I'm an ethical vegetarian. To my way of thinking I've adopted from Genesis 1:29, And God said, 'Behold, I have given you every yielding seed, which is upon the face of all the earth and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed—to you it shall be for food,' as my way of life. Yet among vegetarians they differ too as to what can and what cannot be eaten. Some say honey should not be eaten because it comes from the bee. We all have our own opinions, yet respect each other.

Judaism will never survive in America if we cannot all have our own differences of opinions. Rather we should strive for UNITY

among us. Who knows which group has THE answer? In the Bible which we revere we have contradiction of thoughts with regard to eating flesh foods. What makes the flesh of a poor animal kosher to eat no matter how it is killed? To my way of thinking it is an abomination; yet it is only my way of thinking. What makes the Tradition Synagogues think that by ordering a dinner in which it did not have meat would class them as second class citizens in this democratic country of ours? I do not feel that way at all.

Religion is a personal way of life. Each one should try to develop the Kingdom of God within himself. Every Jew has the right to do and to eat what he feels is the right thing to do but we must be tolerant of each other. If we Jews show religious intolerance to each other, there will not be a Jewry in America within twenty-five to fifty years.

DEBORAH W. DUNKELMAN
Chicago, Ill.

Thinks Post Bungled Yeshiva Rites Story

● Editor, Jewish Post:

I must confess grave dismay at the way in which you recently reported on the poor attendance of resident Yeshiva university students at morning chapel (minyan).

In the original story there was no effort to evoke the comment of student body officials or of university administrators. Only after an odious canard about "religious persecution" had been set afoot, was there an attempt in a subsequent issue to rectify the imbalance of presentation.

Why was there, and is there still, poor minyan attendance. It has to do, I believe, with the incredibly heavy schedule with which a Yeshiva student must cope. Newsweek magazine once said something to the effect it was the most grueling college schedule in America. A Yeshiva man must master two academic disciplines: that of the Talmud, and that of Western liberal arts.

In general, may I venture to say that your newspaper seems to take an unfriendly attitude to my alma mater. For example, your coverage of the building of

its new Einstein Medical College seems little more than perfunctory; and this is a story that is doubtless one of the biggest things in American Jewish history. When you fail to accord commensurate space to the constructive work of Yeshiva university, then you are conspicuously falling in your self-definition as a "national Jewish newspaper."

JOSEPH Y. YOSHOR
Brooklyn, N.Y.

... Live Together, Die Together ...

● Editor, Jewish Post:

Your always excellent paper brought in a recent issue under "Its the Truth!" an item concerning cemeteries in Belgium.

Having been in Antwerp, Belgium, I know, that the fact, that no Jewish cemeteries are allowed, is based upon a decision, made approximately 1849, that if the Jews are willing and able to be together with non-Jews and to live with them during their life-time, they also will be able to rest "together in peace."

I do not hesitate to state, that this was the only restriction ever since.

Rabbi D. J. MATZNER
Seven Point, Wis.

Laudable Sentiment Seems Commonplace

● Editor, National Jewish Post

the local newspaper today informs us that a "Judge Ben Rosenman, Human Relations Library" is being established, sponsored by Judge Mosk, Judge Coleman, Judge Drucker, and others; and that "the library would be

available to persons of all faiths for use..."

This sentiment is so laudable that it took a few minutes for me to realize that I had never heard of a library which was not "available to persons of all faiths." Even the Vatican Library is available to p. of a.f. And the item reminded me of a little

playground I know of, next to and belonging to a temple, which has a sign that the playground is "for children of all races and creeds. Again, a fine thing; again, one wonders why this notice of almost aggressive goodwill in a community where no playground is closed to children of any race or creed.
A. A. Davidson
Los Angeles, Calif.

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IN NEW YORK



INTERESTING PLACES TO SEE

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Israel Consulate, 11 E. 70 St.
Jewish Institute of Religion, 40 W. 68 St.
Jewish Museum, 5th Ave. and 92 St.
Jewish Theological Seminary, E. way, and 122 St.

Lower East Side—(remnants of N.Y. ghetto), Delancey St.
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Jew Wants to Show Nazi's Films

BERLIN—A Jewish movie theater owner here has declared he sees no reason whatsoever to refuse the performance of films produced by Veit Harlan who made the notorious "Jew Suss" during the Nazi regime. West Berlin workers recently demonstrated against showing of the film and the Berlin branch of the Federation of German Trade Unions has demanded the immediate banning of all films by Harlan.

Russia Has Jewish Chess Champion

MOSCOW—The Soviet Union once again has a Jewish chess champion. Yuri Auerbach, 32, took first place in the 21st all-Union tournaments which ended Feb. 8.

Greek Jews Seek Entry to U. S.

ATHENS—About 700 Greek Jews—12 per cent of the Jewish population of Greece—have made application for emigration to the United States. The majority of the applications come from Salonika, where the pre-war Jewish population of 70,000 has dwindled to a mere 1,200. The United States Congress recently agreed to grant 17,000 visas to Greek citizens.

Libyan Cables With Israel Cut

TRIPOLI, Libya—Postal and cable communications between Libya and Israel have been banned by the director of posts in Tripoli. Libyan Jews will be greatly inconvenienced by the ban since most of them have close relatives in Israel. According to the Jewish Chronicle of London, the decision to ban communications was taken following pressure by the local Nationalist press and the Arab League in Cairo.

Another Landmark Bites the Dust

AMSTERDAM (WNS)—Another Jewish landmark in Europe bit the dust this week when it was disclosed that the 18th century synagogue belonging to the Ashkenazi Jewish community of this city was to be transformed into a museum by its purchaser, the city of Amsterdam.

Leaders of Demonstrators Resign As Sporadic Picketing Continues

By CHARLES ROTH

Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (JP)—While ultra-Orthodox groups continued sporadic picketing of the Israeli consulate this week, officers of the National Committee for the Repeal of the Women's Draft for Israel, sponsors of the Feb. 8 mass demonstration, informed The Post they had resigned from the committee.

Rabbi Schachne Zohn, instructor at Brooklyn Yeshiva Mesivta Torah Vodaat (Orthodox), reportedly the leader of the committee, said school officials had forced him to suspend his activities with the group. The officials felt the school was being hurt by the publicity.

Dr. Raphael Moller, a physician, whose name appeared on an ad in the Yiddish press as chairman of the committee, told the Post he was no longer connected with the group. He admitted he was chairman at the time the ad appeared, but had relinquished the post by the time of the mass demonstration.

Rabbi Bernard Weinberger, who served as committee spokesman during the demonstration, told The Post he carries no official

capacity with the committee at present.

Meanwhile, groups, which like the committee, opposed the women's service law, but disapproved of the demonstration, were discussing the formulation of a joint policy. Representatives of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis, Young Israel, the Rabbinical Council of America, Agudath Israel, and other organizations attended an informal meeting.

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Austria Ready to Talk On Jewish Claims

NEW YORK—Austrian Chancellor Julius Raab has declared his government as ready to reopen negotiations with the Committee for Jewish Claims Against Austria.

The negotiations were broken off late last year when the chancellor declared in a letter to the committee that not until after the conclusion of an Austrian state treaty could the committee's claim for a lump sum payment for heirless property of Jewish victims of nazism be considered.

According to the New York Times, the chancellor said this week that Austria was ready to acknowledge her obligations but they must be in accord with her ability to meet them.

Temple U. Students Veto Biased Groups

PHILADELPHIA (JP)—More than 70 percent of Temple university's student body of 9000 has voted a ban against official recognition of any organization which has in its constitution or by-laws any clauses which make for racial or religious restrictions.

The result was made public here following a public opinion poll conducted at the university on a proposal to refuse a student senate charter to such groups. University officials pointed out that the large turnout of votes indicates that the students feel quite strongly about the "restrictive" organizations inasmuch as campus polls or elections usually bring out a vote of merely 20 to 30 percent.

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American, Turned Israeli, Says U.S. Jews Demoralized, Scared

By MICHAEL KAUFMAN

Jewish Post Correspondent

LOUISVILLE (JP)—An employee of the Israel Government visiting Louisville has charged that Jews in the United States are "demoralized" and "on the defensive" and "shying away from liberal causes."

Ridiculing American Jewish life at the present time, which he felt has as its only upturn the building of more and beautiful temples in an attempt to gain the respect of the gentile community, Chaim Sanderson declared:

"Because the creation and construction of these temples has not been marked by a return to traditional religion, the temple has become the social center, replacing the YMHA."

An American attorney from Boston who left this country four years ago to settle in Israel, Anderson is deputy Commissioner of Customs there. He was visiting this city with his wife, the former Miss Rena Shenson of Louisville, after completing a three-month speaking tour for the Histadrut Labor Organization of Israel. He spoke on the economic development of Israel and its future possibilities and potentialities.

Charging that the Jews in America are "ready to sell their birthright for the fleshpots of

America," as evidenced by their opposition to Chalutzot (Pioneers in Israel), and their reluctance to affiliate with Zionist organizations. Sanderson pointed out that the membership of the Zionist Organizations in America has shrunk from 100,000 to 50,000 in the last five years.

"American Jews are demoralized because they are torn between the very lush and comfortable life in America and on the other hand because of their striving to attain their Jewish identity in positive fashion," he said.

"They have reluctantly accepted that assimilation is not possible nor practical, but they have not found the opposite answer. This accounts for their rejection of Ben Gurion's definition of what is a Zionist: his belief that the centrality of Jewish life can only lie in Israel," Sanderson continued.

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